

Birch Wood Vale School
Post 16
 Autumn Term 2020
 Curriculum Information



Dear Parents and Carers,

We want to share with you the work being covered by Post 16 this term, so that you can talk to your children about their lessons and support them with any homework. We are looking forward to an exciting and busy term and we hope that the students will enjoy it.

English	
Functional Skills English	Students will be studying a range of speaking & listening, reading and writing activities ranging from Entry Level 1 to Level 1 Functional English. They will be learning about language used to complete forms, role playing and debate activities to demonstrate how to get differing points of view across to other people. Finally they will be taking part in the planning of a range of actual and virtual events in order to develop their skills for writing to different audiences and for different purposes.
Maths	
Four Operations. Use of number and the number system	<p>The class will consist of some students studying Entry Level 3 Maths and the other following the Functional Skills Curriculum.</p> <p>Entry Level 3: Count ,read and write numbers up to 1000 Order and compare numbers up to 1000 Add 3-digit numbers Subtract 3-digit numbers Divide 3-digit by 1-digit numbers Divide 3-digit by 2-digit numbers Multiply 2-digit by 1-digit numbers Multiply 2-digit by 2-digit numbers Round to the nearest 10 and 100 Recognise and continue sequences of numbers (to 100) Read, write and understand thirds, quarters, fifths and tenths Read, write and understand equivalent fractions Read, write and use decimals (up to 2 decimal places) Recognise and continue decimal sequences</p> <p>Functional Skills – L1 Read, write, order and compare numbers up to 1m Use positive and negative numbers Multiply and divide by 10, 100, 1000 Use multiplication facts and make connections with division facts Use 1-step and 2-step formulae given in words Calculate the squares numbers Follow the order of operations</p> <p>Functional Skills – L2 Read, write, order and compare positive and negative numbers of any size Calculate with numbers up to 1 million Use estimation to check calculations with numbers Evaluate expressions given in words and symbols Make substitutions in given formulae in words and symbols Convert between fractions, decimals and percentages Work out percentages of amounts Express one amount as a percentage of another Calculate percentage change Find the original value after percentage change</p>

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ART	Workshops Portfolio Work	The Level 1 Certificate in Art and Design BTEC course will begin with a series of workshops in the first instance, exploring various art materials and techniques, such as colour mixing; mark making and an introduction to working with mixed media. They will then begin their first Unit of the Year: Unit 7 Explore Mixed Media, where they respond to a brief and produce a body of work through guided art workshops on the run-up to Christmas. They will experiment with a range of art materials and exploring mixing materials and techniques to create new interesting pieces.
DT	Board Games	Learners will research design and make a board game that incorporates elements of a chosen design movement.
Construction	Health, Safety and Welfare	Learners will be working through the unit 10 be exploring different areas of construction Health, safety and welfare issues
Home Cooking Skills Level 1	Introduction, food and kitchen safety. Breakfast and Eggs	Main focus this term is introducing the course and the importance of health and safety in the kitchen. Moving on to sourcing and cooking eggs, developing this further into different types of breakfasts.
Home Cooking Skills Level 2	Introduction, revisit safety aspects Fish	Main focus this term is introducing the course and revisit importance of health and safety in the kitchen. Moving onto sourcing, sustainability and cooking with fish.
Sport & Active Leisure	<u>Unit 16 : Working as a team</u>	This unit looks at how learners can be effective members of a team. Learners will identify the skills, roles and responsibilities needed to complete the team task and match their skills accordingly; will take part in team tasks and review their contribution.
Moving Together	Dance Theory and Practical	Students will be exploring the arts industry, specifically through dance. The students will be working at varying levels theoretically, and will be challenged practically to develop technique, style, performance, collaboration, creativity, leadership and confidence. Theoretical and practical elements will complement each other, encouraging a deeper understanding of dance and creative opportunities.
Preparation for Adulthood	Independence Skills	Over the course of academic year all students will start to develop necessary independence skills to develop learning life skills: Basic budgeting / communicating with public / making appropriate informed decisions/ road safety/ stranger danger. Students will develop their independent living skills by developing their confidence in life cooking skills and will be able to prepare basic dishes safely without regular signposting. To be able start to independently carry out simple tasks around a community environment. Access local town / village centres, including travelling small groups independently, going to the shops

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Duke of Edinburgh	<u>Physical</u>	Students will take part in walking in towns and countryside around Leicestershire whilst Geocaching and learning about their local communities. Students will also be developing their physical ability within a chosen sport.
	<u>Skill</u>	Students are learning to make and cook meals in their preparation as well as developing their independent travel skills when out and about.
	<u>Volunteer</u>	Students will be undergoing a volunteering project within the community.
	<u>Expedition</u>	In the summer term students will work towards an expedition of two days walking with a focus and an overnight stay. Over the course of the year students will be working on the relative skills for this such as compass and map skills and putting up a tent.
Recreational Fitness	<u>Net Games</u>	Students are playing tennis this half term with Melton Tennis club coaches, on the tennis courts, learning the skills and rules of tennis. Students will develop skills such as bat and ball control, sportsmanship and teamwork. The unit will also provide students opportunities to take further roles as leaders, coaches and officials.
	<u>Health related fitness</u>	Students will be learning about various components of fitness through experiencing different methods of training and exercise. Students will also be learning about and undergoing fitness testing.
PSHE	E-Safety	Students will be focussing on how to stay safe when online. They will be looking at different social media sites and developing knowledge on the importance of keeping information private and being safe.

Useful websites: [BBC Bitesize KS4 / GCSE](#)

We are pleased to help you with any questions you may have about your child.